

Entimations.

THE WEST-POINT BUILDING
CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 24th January, at 11.30 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1909.

The Register of Shares of the Company will be CLOSED on TUESDAY, the 15th January, and on THURSDAY, the 24th instant, (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfers can be registered.

by Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to
The Hongkong Land Investment
-Agency Company, Limited.
General Agents for
The West Point Building Com.
Limited.
Hongkong, 4th January, 1901.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY,
LIMITED.

TEENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on THURSDAY, the 24th January 1911, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1910.

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A. SHELTON HOOPE
Secretary.

longkong, 31st January, 1901.

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after the Performance.

A. LEVEY, Business Manager.

A. H. POLLARD, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901. [1514b]

NOTICE.

WE have This Day authorised Mr.

CHARLES WILLIAM MARSHALL

TO SIGN our FIRM per PROCURATION.

GEO. R. STEVENS & CO.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901. [154c]

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

NOTICE.

MEMBERS are hereby notified that En-

tries for the forthcoming Races will

CLOSE on SATURDAY, the 26th instant,

instead of Saturday, the 19th, as per Draft

Programme.

By Order,

T. F. HOUGH,

Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901. [155c]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1901. [153c]

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Hongkong, 12th January, 1901. [1417b]

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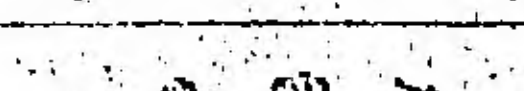
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Finest Old Jamaica, (Vio-

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DEATH.

At No. 18, Broadway, Shanghai, on the 8th
January, JOHN SMALDING KNOWLES, late
Secretary of S. C. Farnham & Co., Ltd., aged
53 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 1901.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Murder.

The murder of Mr. YEUNG, the Reformer, may well cause one to ponder seriously over the state of lawlessness into which Southern China is rapidly declining, and in the general term Southern China Hongkong may now be included, for life and property appears to be as insecure in this British Colony as in Chinese territory. Our Canton Correspondent writes that robberies are committed there in broad daylight. So they are in Hongkong; and it must not be forgotten that we have had two murders within as many days and have two or more murderers at large, not to speak of highwaymen. Truly, this is a pitiable state of affairs to have arisen in a British possession!

If, as is suggested, the murder of Mr. YEUNG was prompted by political motives, it does not require a very great exercise of brain power to perceive that the crime was probably ordered by the Chinese Government and that the murderer will be rewarded for his dastardly crime. Should this prove to be the case, and Mr. YEUNG's murderer escape, we do not think that a single one of the prominent Reformers now living in Hongkong will be safe, for the successful accomplishment of the first crime will lead to others being attempted.

Mr. YEUNG's murderer escaped on account of the calm and collected manner in which he went about his foul work. He appears to have simply walked into the house, put four bullets into his man, and walked quietly out again as though nothing in particular had happened and, in all probability, within a quarter-of-an-hour of the murder was on board a boat on his way to Canton, or some other spot in Chinese territory. For a premeditated crime of this description Hongkong is peculiarly adapted. The whole water-front offers a ready means of escape and a criminal taking to the water within a short time of the commission of his crime effectually covers up his tracks. It is impossible to watch every junk and sampan that leaves the Praya and to this fact is to be ascribed the immunity from capture enjoyed by gang robbers and other criminals who, having their plans carefully laid beforehand and a craft of some sort in readiness at some convenient spot, are thus enabled to laugh at our police system.

Under present conditions we should certainly advise those Reformers who have come to Hongkong for safety to take every precaution against a possible attack. We would point out to them that it is not only possible but comparatively easy for the Chinese Government to either murder them or spirit them away. The lot of the refugee Reformer is by no means a pleasant one at the present time!

The Peokanersloof Affair.

So the reported cyclists' fight is not true and, presumably, somebody has been pulling Reuter's leg. There have been several of these false reports spread of late and it is most annoying to find that a reported British victory has no foundation on fact. But makers the cyclists would doubtless have

held the pass had they attempted to do so and, at any rate, everybody plumed himself for a whole, twenty-four hours upon a Boer reverse.

The United States' Proposal.

According to the Vienna correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph*, the United States did propose to transfer the peace negotiations to Washington, and we are pleased to see, on the same authority, that the proposal has met with an emphatic negative. The peace negotiations do not seem to be progressing apace. It is true, but they are much more likely to be satisfactory if conducted on the spot. Conducting peace negotiations with China from Washington would be too much like buying pigs by telephone. The McKinley Government had better turn its attention to the question of restoring peace in the new possessions of the United States, instead of trying to 'save China's face and so plunge the whole of the Powers into as big a mess as has been made of the Philippine question.

British Columbia and Japan.

British Columbia has taken a very decided step in enforcing the new Immigration Act on the arrival of the *Empress of Japan* and rejecting a number of Japanese. The question is certainly a very vexed one and requires a deal of study. Japan must have some outlet for her surplus population, for which her one colony of Formosa is inadequate. British Columbia offers a good field for the Japanese emigrant, but British Columbia is British and its population is British and so the influx of cheap labour from Japan would be deleterious to the British Columbian workman. The exclusion of Japanese labourers may breed some small amount of ill feeling, but matters will right themselves sooner or later. If the advancement of Japan continues at its present rate of progress it will not be very many years before the Japanese labourer is as expensive an article as he of British Columbia. Then there will no longer be any need to exclude him.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

CAPE COLONY.

LONDON, January 10th.

The reported cyclists' fight is not true.

POWERS AND THE CHINA CRISIS.

THE U.S. PROPOSAL.

The *Daily Telegraph's* Vienna correspondent states that the United States' proposal to transfer the negotiations from Peking to Washington has met with an emphatic refusal.

INDIAN REGIMENTS FOR GARRISON DUTY.

NEW REGIMENTS TO BE FORMED.

The formation of three additional Indian infantry regiments has been sanctioned, and two more are contemplated. The new regiments will be employed for garrison duty at Mauritius, Singapore, Hongkong, and Ceylon, the Imperial Exchequer bearing the cost.

THE BRITISH COLUMBIAN IMMIGRATION ACT.

JAPANESE NOT ALLOWED TO LAND.

The New British Columbian Immigration Act was enforced yesterday for the first time on the arrival of the *Empress of Japan*, when a number of Japanese were rejected, while the Chinese remained untouched, their immigration being regulated by the Dominion law.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says:—On the 12th at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has risen slightly on the China coast. Pressure is high over the N.E. coast of China and W. Japan. Gradients moderate with strong monsoon on the coast, slight with moderate monsoon in the N. part of the China Sea. Forecast:—Fresh N.E. winds; some drizzling rain.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Bangkok races are to be held on the 19th, 21st and 23rd of this month.

We hear that H.M.S. *Undaunted* will probably go out for firing practice on Monday week.

A NURSE, to take charge of children on the voyage home, is advertised for Penang.

At Bow-st., Messrs. G. Arthur Pearson (Limited) have been fined £100 and costs in connection with football coupon competitions in *Pearson's Weekly and Short Stories*.

The Earl of Onslow, Parliamentary Under-Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Mr. T. C. Macnaghten, of the Colonial Office, to be his private secretary.

The *Singapore Free Press* of the 4th inst. says:—A Chinese passenger on board the *Hong Wan* yesterday committed suicide under novel conditions. He dressed in his best, put \$300 in his belt and in the presence of his wife and children opened his umbrella, and descending *a la parachute* into the sea, was drowned.

A HOME paper says:—Sir Frank Swettenham, who has been Resident-General at Selangor since the federation of the Protected Malay States five years ago, has come home on leave. Sir Frank, who belongs to Belper in Derbyshire, has been thirty years in the Colonial Service, all of which time has been spent in the Malay Peninsula.

THE Queen has sent through Sir Fleetwood Edwards a £5 note to Mr. Charles Farrell, of Strand-rd., Merion, Dublin, who has seven sons in the army, as a mark of Her Majesty's appreciation of the interesting fact.

We note that the business of the Stockton Milling Co. of San Francisco (California) at present in the hands of Messrs. Holliday Wise & Co., will be taken over on Monday 14th inst. by Messrs. A. Fair and T. W. Hornby as direct representatives of the Company, and carried on at their Offices 4, Queen's Building, Hongkong.

In sentencing two bigamists, the one to three years and the other to three days' imprisonment recently, Mr. Justice Darling drew a distinction between bigamy by marriages in church and bigamy by marriages before registrars. He said that a church officer who knew that marriage was a sacred act deserved the greater punishment for bigamy.

It is stated that the amount of stamps sold in Borneo and Labuan during 1899 was £20,000, but the postage paid on letters sent from these two colonies never exceeds the sum of £800 a year. The remainder, £19,200, may be presumed to find its way into albums all over the world. We presume this is the reason why the Colonies are always changing the colours and devices of their stamps.

A SINGULAR breach of promise case was heard at the Leeds Assizes recently, Solomon Norths, a Bradford merchant, being sued by Ruth Gurs, 45, widow. The parties had known each other from childhood, and while plaintiff had a husband and the defendant a wife, Mrs. Gurs alleged that the promise was made, and that it was afterwards renewed when the obstacles to their union had passed away. The jury gave a verdict for defendant.

THE *Gazette* warns those who have friends in Turkey, and are wishful to send them pictorial post-cards that a recent trade forbids the Turkish post-office officials to receive or to forward these harmless souvenirs. All the cards which have been on sale by Turks in Constantinople have been seized, and those the property of strangers have been purchased from them. All new importations are to be confiscated at the Custom-houses.

THE Hereditary Grand Duke Michael of Russia, who at present stands in the position of heir to the Czar of All the Russias, is, according to report, to be betrothed to the Duchess Cecilia of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, who is a grand-daughter of the Grand Duke Michael Nicolaievitch and a niece by marriage of the Grand Duke Vladimir, the Czar's uncle. Prince George of Greece is 'again reported to be engaged, this time to Princess Alexandra of Schaumburg-Lippe; whose brother is married to Princess Louise of Denmark.

THE Queen of the Netherlands has an enormous private fortune, apart from her civil list, while the royal estates in Holland and in the East are also of great value. Queen Wilhelmina is said to be going to settle 20 millions of marks or a million sterling upon her future husband. According to this arrangement, the interest (say £30,000 a year) will be at Prince Henry's disposal, while the capital will be settled on the young children of the marriage. If there are no children, Prince Henry is to have absolute power of disposing by will of five millions of marks, while the remainder will ultimately revert to the Queen's estate.

ACCORDING to a New York message, American paper-makers, newspaper proprietors, and publishers are watching with intense interest some important developments which are about to take place in the paper trade. The National Paper-making Company, a new corporation with a capital of £1,000,000 sterling, will shortly begin to manufacture paper from the waste hulls of cotton-seed, billions of tons of which lie piled up all over the south of the United States, constituting the refuse of hundreds of cotton-seed oil mills. The company controls a new process for manufacturing from this material a new pulp, which will keep white and never turn yellow, as wood pulp does. Moreover, it only costs £5 per ton, whereas wood pulp costs £15 per ton. The new company intends to wage a commercial war against the International Paper Company, a gigantic corporation popularly known as the 'Paper Trust,' and an important reduction of prices is expected. In addition to manufacturing paper, the company will manufacture cotton-seed oil in competition with the Cotton-seed Oil Trust, which heretofore has controlled the cotton-seed industry.

The following letter, addressed by Mr. Z. de B. a Commandant of the former Free State army, to a well-known Natal colonist, has been forwarded to the *Poll Mail Gazette*:—
"Harrisburgh, O.V.S., June 23, 1899.—My Dear Sir:—These war rumours are unsettling the business altogether. The farmers only come to town nowadays to hear the latest. A person cannot get them to settle down to business. We are armed to the teeth, and the organization is so perfect that within twelve hours of the first alarm, the burghers will be ready at the different passes leading into the country. It will be about the toughest job England has tackled since the American war of Independence, and, with a large portion of the Dutch community of Natal and the Cape ready to join us, with the sympathy of the Bond Ministry at the Cape, wholly with us, and our fixed determination to fight to the bitter end, we will, I think, go through a big fight in favour of history. England, with her huge resources, ought to have crushed America, a country (even at that time) with English troops, spies, traitors, and officials. Yet she did not and could not. In our case it will not be the Republics but the Africanander-nation under arms fighting for independence, and we do not fear the result. Yours sincerely, Z. de B. P.S.—Let the English know that this is the opinion of a colonial Afrikaner. Within thirty days, after the declaration of war, I shall have much pleasure in ordering the execution of the editor of the *Natal Witness* and a few other jingoes. This will take place in the Market Square, Pietermaritzburg, in the presence of the Federal army."

Mr. Kemp had before him this morning a man named Fred Slitter, unemployed, from the Sailor's Home. The man was charged with being drunk and disorderly in the public street, and with refusing to pay a legal fare to a rickshaw coolie.

P. C. Cashman and the rickshaw coolie gave evidence. It was to the effect that the defendant had hired the vehicle and gone in it to the Sailor's Home. He was slightly under the influence of drink but was not incapable. When he reached his destination, not all the persuasion in the world would induce him to pay for his ride. He was very obstreperous and used abusive language to the constable when he went to investigate.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$3 or seven days' hard labour on the first charge, and on the charge of refusing to pay, a fine of \$3 or seven days' hard labour was inflicted. The man was also instructed to pay 25 cents to the coolie as compensation.

The fines were not forthcoming, so the defendant went 'inside' for fourteen days.

ROWDYISM AT THE STAG HOTEL.
Ho Sen, interpreter at the Magistracy, went with some friends toiffin at the Stag Hotel yesterday. Whilst there some European bluejackets started to knock things about and make themselves a nuisance. The first named, therefore, took out a summons against the offenders for using abusive language and attempted assault.

Mr. Hazeland had the disorderly members before him this morning when they were bound over, in the sum of \$100 to keep the peace for three months.

ESTIMATES have been called for by the Government of India for the conversion of the existing heavy batteries in India into position batteries, armed with long range guns, also for the addition of three howitzer batteries to the field artillery in India.

It has been left to an Australian bowler to introduce a novelty in cricket. He is an aboriginal named Marsh. This Marsh has a questionable delivery, and a match in Sydney was no-balled by an umpire named Curran. On the second day of the match, Marsh appeared with his bowling arm in splints, and demonstrated so successfully that his delivery was fair, that the umpire resigned on the spot. Marsh is an exceedingly fast bowler.

THE *Elektronisk Tidsskrift* of Copenhagen states that a Danish electrical engineer has invented an electrical lamp, which will cause a considerable advance in the therapeutic treatment with light, followed by the Danish Professor Finsen. The lamp has been tested at Finsen's Hospital for treatment with light in Copenhagen, and has been proved to produce in an especial degree those chemical rays which are necessary for the purpose.

THE Band of the Royal Welch Fusiliers will play at the Hongkong Hotel, this evening, from 8 to 9.30 p.m.:

PROGRAMME.
1. March "Bells of New York" ... Winton.
2. Selection "Bells of New York" ... Kerker.
3. Dan Dance "Chicago" ... Clifford.
4. Dance "Hesperus" ... The Gerald.
5. Cornet Solo "The Tolling" ... Nicholson.
6. Selection "The Cornet" ... Jones.
Extra.
1. Dance "The Demon" ... Solomon.
2. "God Save the Queen."

A MOVEMENT is on foot in Battersea, says the *Morning Leader* of the 10th ult., with the object of memorialising the Home Secretary and the Chief Commissioner of Police, asking them to take immediate steps to put a stop to the ruffianism that takes place in St. John's rd., Falcon-rd., and York-rd., Clapham Junction, particularly on Sunday evenings. These streets at night are infested by a gang of about 100 young men, who both insult and assault all and sundry.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

FALSE WEIGHTS.

Cheating in a wholesale fashion.
Before Mr. Kemp this morning, Ling Pui and Li Sab, salt-fish hawkers, appeared charged with having on their stalls weights which were not in accordance with the standard weights of the Colony.

Inspector Duncan, inspector of weights and measures, gave evidence as to the finding of the defective weights on the defendants' stalls. They both had excuses to offer, of picking the scales up by mistake or of having borrowed the weights.

His Worship convicted the defendants and fined them each \$15 or in default three weeks' hard labour.

They went to prison. It is well that some of these frauds should be brought to light to teach the hawkers and such people that they must have correct weights and measures. There is undoubtedly a tremendous amount of squeezing indulged in by all kinds of provision sellers, in the way of false weights, and very few are ever punished, though many of them practice the offence openly every day.

OPIUM.

Punishment for unlawful possession.

Chau Tai, fisherman of Cheung Chau, was brought before Mr. Hazeland this morning for being in unlawful possession of one and a half taels of prepared opium.

Mails.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY).



PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
KAWACHI MARU.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	FRIDAY, 18th Jan., at Daylight.
KASUGA MARU.....	NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKO.....	FRIDAY, 18th Jan., at Noon.
E. W. Haswell.....	HAMA.....	WEDNESDAY, 23rd Jan., at 4 P.M.
IZUMI MARU.....	VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE.....	FRIDAY, 25th Jan., at Daylight.
M. J. Currow.....	U.S.A., via KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	FRIDAY, 25th Jan., at Daylight.
WAKASA MARU.....	MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO and PORT SAID.....	FRIDAY, 25th Jan., at 4 P.M.
YAWATA MARU.....	SYDNEY and MELBOURNE, via MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNVILLE and BRISBANE.....	FRIDAY, 25th Jan., at 4 P.M.
A. E. Moes.....	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	WEDNESDAY, 30th Jan., at Noon.
HIROSHIMA MARU.....	MOJI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	FRIDAY, 1st Feb., at Daylight.
BINGO MARU.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	FRIDAY, 1st Feb., at Daylight.
F. Davies.....	KOBE and YOKOHAMA.....	FRIDAY, 1st Feb., at Daylight.

For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply to the Company's Local Branch Office at Prince's Building, 1st Floor, Chater Road.

A. S. MIHARA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901.

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STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
NORDERNEY.....	MARSEILLES, HAVRE & HAMBURG.....	At Noon, 14th January.
Sambit.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	22nd January.
SILBIA.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	9th February.
SIBIRIA.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	16th February.
Braun.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	23rd February.
FREIBURG.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	23rd February.
Proesch.....	(LONDON with transhipment in HAMBURG).....	23rd February.

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TO SAN FRANCISCO, VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

STEAMERS.	DESTINATIONS.	SAILING DATES.
AMERICA MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 7th Feb., at Noon.	
HONGKONG MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Saturday, 2nd Mar., at Noon.	
NIPPON MARU (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu).....	Thursday, 28th Mar., at Noon.	

The Twia Screw Steamship

"AMERICA MARU" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on THURSDAY, the 7th February, at Noon, taking Freight and Passengers for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at HONOLULU, and Passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States of Canada. Rates may be obtained on application.

Passengers holding through ORDERS TO EUROPE have the choice of Overland Rail routes from San Francisco including the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAYS; also the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY on payment of £4 in addition to the regular tariff rate.

Passengers holding orders for OVERLAND CITIES in the United States have between San Francisco and Chicago, the option of the SOUTHERN PACIFIC, CENTRAL PACIFIC, UNION PACIFIC, DENVER and RIO GRANDE, and other direct connecting Railways and from Chicago to destination the choice of direct lines.

Particulars of the various routes can be had on application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will be received at Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

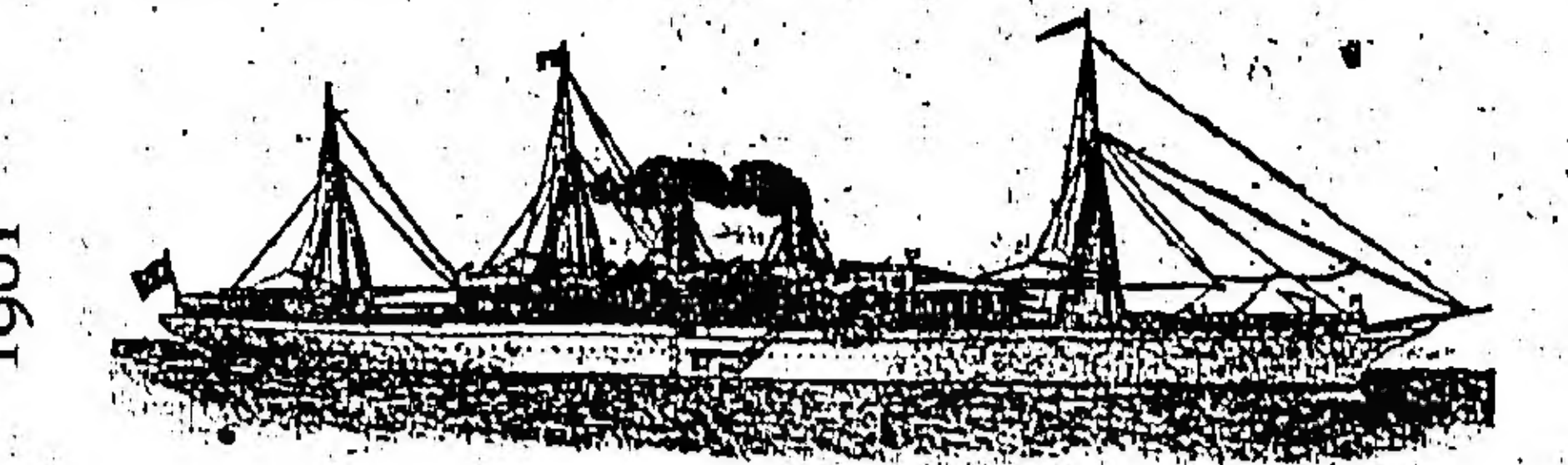
Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to points beyond San Francisco in the United States should be sent to the Company's Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, 12th January, 1901.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY COY.'S ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.



SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY. THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

(CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA & VICTORIA, B.C.) Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 16th January. EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. O. P. Marshall, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th February. EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R. WEDNESDAY, 13th March.

THE magnificent Twin-screw Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS, saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey, and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL TRANS CONTINENTAL TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 9 and 12 months. SPECIAL Rates (first class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of the Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS, (second to none in the World), the LUXURIANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unexcelled.

For further information, Maps, Guide, Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Pedder's Street.

Hongkong, 19th December, 1900.



THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

STEAM FOR STRAITS, CEYLON, AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT, MEDITERRANEAN PORTS, PLYMOUTH AND LONDON.

(Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL and AMERICAN PORTS).

THE Steamship

"CHUSAN,"

Captain C. L. Daniel, carrying Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 19th instant, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above Ports.

Silk and Valuable, all Cargo for France, and Tea for London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into a steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles and London; other Cargo for London, &c., will be conveyed via Bombay with Transhipment.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 P.M. the day before sailing. The Contents and Value of all Packages are required.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Bills of Lading.

For further Particulars, apply to A. M. MARSHALL, Acting Superintendent.

Hongkong, 8th January, 1901.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Coptic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 29th January, at Noon.

Gaelic (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Saturday, 23rd Feb., at Noon.

Doric (via Shanghai, Nagasaki, Kobe, Inland Sea, Yokohama and Honolulu)..... Tuesday, 19th March, at Noon.

The Company's Steamship

"COPTIC" will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on TUESDAY, the 29th instant, at Noon.

Steamers of this line pass through the INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu, and passengers are allowed to break their journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the United States or Canada. Rates, and particulars of the various Routes may be obtained upon application.

Special rates (first class only) are granted to Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European Officials in the service of China and Japan, and to Government officials and their families.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

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For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, Queen's Building.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, 12th January, 1901.

NORTHERN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

FOR VICTORIA, B.C. AND TACOMA, IN CONNECTION WITH NORTHERN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.

Steamers.	Tons.	Captains.	Proposed Sailings.
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Goodwin..... 4,421 A. Jackson..... Jan. 18

Olympia..... 2,857 J. Truebridge..... Feb. 1

Tacoma..... 2,811 A. Dixon..... Mar. 1

Victoria..... 3,502 J. Pantou..... Mar. 8

THE attention of Passengers is directed to the very cheap rates offered by this Line to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and EASTERN CITIES OF THE UNITED STATES and to EUROPE.

HONGKONG TO LONDON £52.

Excellent accommodation. First-class Table. DOCTOR AND STEWARDESS carried.

Passengers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first class ATLANTIC MAIL LINES.

HONGKONG TO NEW YORK £48.

The Railroad travelling is second to none on the American Continent; two trans-continental trains daily from TACOMA. DINING CAR is attached to trans-continental trains day and night; TACOMA TO NEW YORK in 4 days.

Magnificent Scenery of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK route.

HONGKONG TO VICTORIA, TACOMA £35.

The best route to the KLONDYKE GOLD FIELDS. Frequent Sailings from VICTORIA, TACOMA TO DYER and ST. MICHAEL.

Rates of Passage to other Points on application.

Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

For further Information as to Passage or Freight, apply to DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, General Agents.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1901.

CALIFORNIA AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

IN CONNECTION WITH THE ATCHESON TOPEKA & SANTA FE RAILROAD CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG TO SAN DIEGO AND SAN FRANCISCO, VIA SHANGHAI, INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND HONOLULU.

Taking Cargo and Passengers to JAPAN PORTS, and HONOLULU, THE UNITED STATES, &c.

Kvarven.....	Sunday	Jan. 20
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The Steamship

"KVARVEN," will be despatched for SAN DIEGO and SAN FRANCISCO, via MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA and HONOLULU, on SUNDAY, the 20th instant.

Through Bills of Lading issued to any point in the United States.

Cargo will be received on board until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing. Parcel packages will be received at the Office until the same time. All parcels should be marked to address in full. Value of same is required.

Consular Invoices, to accompany cargo destined to points beyond San Diego, should be sent to the Company's Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Diego.

For further Information as to Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, China and Japan.

Hongkong, 10th January, 1901.

SAILING VESSEL.

FOR NEW YORK—

THE 3/3 L. 11 British Bark,

"R. MORROW,"

Captain Douglas, having arrived, is now loading here for the above Port and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & CO.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1900.

Shipping—Steamers.

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI.....	KWILIN.....	14th January, at 4 P.M.
PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND PORTS, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.....	FINAN.....	19th January, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, AGENTS.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1901.

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR	STEAMERS.	CAPTAINS.	TO SAIL.
LONDON.....	RHIEUS.....	Day.....	22nd January.
".....	PROMETHEUS.....	Day.....	5th February.
".....	ALCINOUS.....	Pulford.....	19th February.
LIVERPOOL.....	ACHILLES.....	Brown.....	About 18th January.
LIVERPOOL.....			(Taking Cargo at LONDON RATES).
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For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, O. S. S. Co.

Hongkong, 11th January, 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship

"TAMSUI MARU," Captain K. Hasegawa, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 13th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901.

NAVIGAZIONE GENERALE ITALIANA, (Florida and Rubattino United Companies).

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND BOMBAY. Having connexion with Company's Mail Steamers to ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, MESSINA, NAPLES, LEGHORN and GENOA.

VENICE and TRIESTE, all MEDITERRANEAN, ADRIATIC, LEVANTINE, and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS up to CALLAO.

Taking Cargo at through Rates to PERSIAN GULF and BAGDAD, also BARCELONA, VALENZA, ALICANTE, ALMERIA and MALAGA.

THE Steamship

"BISAGNO," Captain Maganzini, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 14th instant, at Noon.

At BOMBAY, the Steamer is discharging in VICTORIA DOCK.

For further Particulars regarding Freight and Passage, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY. THE Company's Steamship

"AKASHI MARU," Captain K. Suzuki, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1901.

THE OSAKA SHOSEN KAISHA, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & TAIWANFOO. THE Company's Steamship

"ANPING MARU," Captain S. Atsumi, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 23rd instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to THE MITSUI BUSSAN KAISHA, Agents.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1901.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship

"GUTHRIE," Captain McArthur, will be despatched as above on THURSDAY, the 31st instant, at 4 P.M.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

This Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly-qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company to and from AUSTRALIA, are available for return by the Steamers of the CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY and vice versa.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1901.

FOR NEW YORK VIA PORTS AND SUEZ CANAL.

With Liberty to call at MANILA.

THE Steamship

"POLARSTJERNEN,"

will be despatched for the above Port, on or about the end of January.

For Freight, apply to DODWELL & Co., LIMITED, Agents.

Hongkong, 7th January, 1901.

Auction.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

MESSRS. HUGHES and HOUGH have received Instructions from the Owner to Sell by

PUBLIC AUCTION, IN ONE LOT,

FRIDAY, the 25th day of January, 1901, at 3 o'clock P.M., at their SALES ROOMS.

ALL THAT Piece or Parcel of GROUND situate lying and being at Victoria, in the Colony of Hongkong and registered in the Land Office as INLAND LOT No. 1,096, together with the Messuage or Tenement Erections and Buildings thereon known as "HALDON," BONHAM ROAD, held from the CROWN for a Term of 999 years from the 25th day of December, 1890.

Total Area 65,815 Square feet, Crown Rent \$30 per Annum.

For further Particulars and Conditions of Sale, apply to Messrs. JOHNSON, STOKES and MASTER, Solicitors for the Vendor, or to The Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 2nd January, 1901.

Entertainment.

HONGKONG AMATEUR DRAMATIC CLUB.

THE following are the Dates fixed for the PERFORMANCES of "HIS EXCELLENCY."

MONDAY..... 12th

TUESDAY..... 13th

THURSDAY..... 14th

SATURDAY..... 16th

THURSDAY..... 21st

SATURDAY..... 23rd

A further announcement as regards dates for Booking will be made later.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1900.

Notice of Firm.

NOTICE.

OUR SENIOR, Mr. H. CESAR ERDMANN, RETIRED from our FIRM on the 31st December, 1900, but will remain a DORMANT PARTNER until further Notice.

Mr. MARTIN EDUARD FERDINAND MARCH, Mr. ADOLF CARL SCHOMBURG, Mr. WILHELM WIEBENHOLD, Mr. EDUARD MORITZ HANS SCHUBART, have to-day been admitted PARTNERS.

CARLOWITZ & CO. Hongkong, Hamburg and China, 1st January, 1901.

Masonic.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1,165.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zealand Street, on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 9th January, 1901.

MISS BUNT AND APPEARANCES.

"Appearances, though deceptive, are essential," enunciated Miss Clara Bunt, whose outward seeming was certainly not calculated to deceive. "Appearances," she added, in tones defying contradiction, "are everything."

Her friend, Miss Adelia Browne—an overgrown spinster of large figure and meek manners—assented assiduously.

"You do put things so concisely," she remarked; "but I have lost count of the boxes. How many are there?"

"There are boxes which are not boxes." The other prided herself upon discrimination in definition. "There are only three boxes, and fourteen packages which have been boxes—besides a basket containing a cat or dog."

"The outer casing which contains a soul?" as Mr. Killaby beautifully puts it," quoted Miss Adelia, who inclined to romance, and admired the local poet.

Miss Bunt looked severely at her. "I think Adelia," she retorted, "Mr. Killaby did not refer to packing cases."

"Perhaps not," her friend responded feebly, "but see! there is a cat drawing up."

Miss Bunt, from the vantage provided by the upper bay window of No. 5, Belgravia Quadrant, Bridgeford, surveyed the arrival at No. 4—where the luggage commented upon had just been discharged—of the vehicle in question.

"Surely," Miss Browne spoke again, "surely there is a husband—the person is paying the cabman herself."

The person referred to—a tall, dark girl, whose face seemed curiously careworn for her age—passed into the house before Miss Bunt replied.

"Husbands," that lady then said didactically, "are not essential but desirable."

"Oh! my dear,"

"Permit me to finish, Adelia. Desirable—I was going to say—when a wife is entering upon a fresh residence, taken furnished. That is, of course, where a husband exists."

"And you think there is none?"

"I did not say so," answered Miss Bunt; "the person I understood, is named Mrs. Hayton—she shall call together, Adelia. And, accordingly, some days later, the two leading spinsters of Bridgeford found themselves in the drawing room of No. 4, Belgravia Quadrant, interviewing the new comer."

"I hope you have good news from Mr. Hayton?" queried Miss Bunt, after the customary conventionalities had been spoken.

"I have no news," Mrs. Hayton answered, starting at the question; her eyes, too, showing a suspicion of tears; "indeed," she added, "I live in dread of news."

Miss Bunt pursed her lips preliminarily to some caustic retort to this—her astounding declaration. But Miss Browne spoke first.

"It must be terrible," the latter remarked, "for you to be alone—there are such horrible tales of burglars in the neighbourhood. I look myself under each bed every night," she asserted solemnly.

"Why?" Mrs. Hayton smiled pleasantly. "You couldn't get them to come out if they were there."

"Come out?" cried Miss Browne; "I should hope not. I should faint if one did such a thing."

Mrs. Hayton laughed. She could not help it. "You would be a safe house to rob," she commented, and thereafter the conversation languished to a close.

Adelia, Miss Hunt summed up her opinion as the pair left No. 4, "where is that woman's husband, and why should she not be afraid of burglars? I believe her husband is one, and she is in league with them."

If rumour has a hundred tongues in other places, it has in Bridgeford almost as many as the town's inhabitants. Therefore when Miss Bunt conveyed this opinion to Miss Browne, the latter in veiled language which exaggerated the possibilities of the situation, passed the information on to her maid—not to mention others—and thence it percolated onwards until it reached the ears of a certain Mr. Edward Simmons, who was in a position to know the truth about the burglaries Miss Browne had referred to.

"Hang me," chuckled Mr. Simmons to his chum Sam Bowdler. "Hang me if Bill Vokes don't tell me in a few days that he is saying 'talk to the woman at Number 4 in the Quadrant has got the stuff we've had. Vokes' daughter's keepin' comp'ny with the grocer's lad, and Miss Browne's maid told him as 'ow her missis 'ad told her.'"

"I'm blowed," Sam exclaimed, "if ever I heard the like out of a story-book—and us thinkin' o' wistin' No. 4—just like to take away the stuff. Wot a joke!" and again Mr. Bowdler gave way to mirth.

But his comrade checked him. "It's 'ot the gentry calls a 'goiside-uns,'" he remarked, and werry remarkable, but we best talk business. Are we to work No. 4 on Wednesday?"

"Aye," returned the other, "the lady's going to the garden-party at the parson's and the maid's to be bowed the afternoon off—so her young man, as I stood a drink to, says. The back-kitchen window's loose, and the back lane handy, so we steps in as 'at goes out. What d'ye say?"

"I'm on," assented Mr. Simmons.

This conversation explains how when Miss Browne, passing along with Miss Bunt, on the way to the garden party at the vicarage, glanced up at the window of No. 4, she saw a man's face peering from behind a blind. "Look, Clara," she cried, "whoever can be?"

The face had disappeared, but not before Miss Bunt caught a glimpse of it. The features—those of Sam Bowdler—were neither handsome nor good, and Miss Bunt's theory as to the occupant of No. 4 was unfortunately strengthened by Mr. Bowdler's appearance.

"Adelia," she said concisely to her companion, "my suspicions are correct—that man is a burglar: probably the woman's husband."

III.

Inside No. 4 there was not recrimination. "Ver night keep yer ugly mug out o' sight," Simmons said to his partner. "Tain't any too pretty, and they two as passed has eyes like lawks."

"It's done, anyhow," retorted the other impatiently. "You leave my face alone, Ned, and let's get to work. Wot's first?"

"Din't room sideboard," returned the other, "then the trinkets in 'er bedroom; then the drawin' room—that's the programme. And keep yer away from the windows," he added warningly.

The thieves started to ransack the house, and the battered leather portmanteau in which they stowed their booty was about half full, when there came a thundering ring at the front door bell.

Simmons cautiously reconnoitred from the shelter of the lower bay window.

"Telegraph boy," he informed Bowdler, waiting behind him; "let 'im ring—he ain't paid to wait, and won't."

The other, who had discovered a bottle of spirits, made no objection, and the worthy pair adjourned to the kitchen, where a slight application of steam from the kettle left on the range gave Simmons access to the telegram.

"Here!" he started up after drawing it from the covering and perusing it. "Here—we've got to put all the swag where we found it—taint the kind for to touch."

"Why?" demanded Bowdler amazedly.

"Because I says so," retorted the other doggedly.

"And if I says no?"

For answer Simmons removed his coat and rolled up his shirt sleeves. "If you says no, Sam," he remarked during the process, "you best put up your hands—we've fought afore," he added unconcernedly, "and can fight again."

"I never!" ejaculated Sam, staggered at his friend's determination; "she is in our line after all!"

"No," roared Simmons, "and the message ain't for me or you either to get fast. I'm goin' to take it to the garden-party myself. Now," he continued, ignoring the other's expression of surprise, "is it fight or 'other thing?"

Meantime the vicarage garden party had become the scene of much excitement. Mrs. Hayton, who had been asked as a matter of form, had accepted the invitation without knowledge of the rumours which Miss Bunt had put about concerning her. On account of these, her reception from the notabilities of Bridgeford was frigid in the extreme, and finding people so stiff, she was preparing to leave the grounds when she was stopped by the vicar in person, accompanied by the sergeant who acted as head of Bridgeford's police, and followed by a crowd of guests, of which Miss Bunt and her friend were the central figures.

"Mrs. Hayton," the vicar began, hesitatingly, desiring to make what was an unpleasant situation as little so as possible, "would you mind giving the sergeant here a few minutes in my study before you go?"

The lady, glancing from the stolid officer to the crowd obviously filled with curiosity, took alarm.

"For what reason?" she demanded, drawing herself up and meeting the clergyman's eyes unflinchingly.

The vicar, pushed before answering, and the sergeant, who had been in trouble over the burglaries, and was keen on any possible trace of their perpetrators—put in a word.

"You best come quietly," he said; "we have information you must clear up."

Mrs. Hayton turned on him. "You take too much on yourself, my man," she retorted coolly; then to the vicar, "If any responsible person desires any explanation from me you know my address," and turned to go.

Miss Bunt stepped forward. "Stop her!" she ordered, "or we may all be murdered in our beds."

The sergeant barred the way; the vicar raised his hand deprecatingly—and a maid appeared with a telegram.

"A man left this just now for Mrs. Hayton," the last said, and the lady, seizing the message, tore it open.

"Read it out," she exclaimed, after glancing at it, "read it out. I see some meddlesome people, she added, with a little gasp, have been in some way misrepresenting me—message is about my husband. We were married just before he was ordered to the Cape."

She covered her face with her hands as the vicar read.

"Captain Hayton, Blankshire Regiment, severely wounded, but doing well, and recommended Victoria Cross. Officer Commanding desires this should be communicated to you—Secretary for War."

The vicar held out his hand to Mrs. Hayton. "Apologies," he said, with feeling, "are almost useless, but some people should make them on their knees." He looked round for Miss Bunt, but that personage, accompanied by Miss Browne, was already on her way to the gate.

As for Mr. Edward Simmons, he had later on an opportunity of explaining his action in the matter, when a plea of "extenuating circumstances" became of advantage to him.

"Tweren't likely," he made plain then, "as I was to make trouble for the pore lady by livin' in 'er stuff when her husband was 'urt fightin' for the country as I belongs to myself. I ain't perfect, but I'm no Boer neither."

IV.

"Yes, Miss, I'm glad the Society can send me and Baby to the 'Ome for a bit; but won't you walk upstairs?"

So spoke Mrs. Hunt, a sad-looking young woman with a quiet voice, to the girl standing beside her, and they began to toil up the many stairs of a model lodging-house. At last Mrs. Hunt stopped at one of the doors, but before turning the handle she hesitated a moment and said, "You know I lost my Jackey yesterday. You won't mind, will you? And then she led the way into the dingy little top back room."

The girl glanced around almost nervously for this was one of life's realities that she had never met before; but there was nothing alarming in the sight of the little coffin resting on two chairs. Yet, somehow, it made her feel strange, perhaps because it was such a very little coffin. Mrs. Hunt, however, did not seem to notice the addition to her furniture, for she asked abruptly, "Will they want me to take slippers to the 'Ome, for I 'ave'n't got none," and her voice was quite composed, although a trifle dull and hard. So the girl sat herself together and a serious discussion followed as to the advisability of buying cheap shoes in the Edgeware-road, or of getting a second-hand pair "off a friend."

But all the while that she was speaking, the girl could not keep her eyes from wandering every now and then towards that other corner of the room, and suddenly she began to realize with astonishment that the coffin, though small, was made of polished oak with silver-plated fittings, and it rested on black draperies. And then the girl remembered that she had seen a baby downstairs decked out in crpe and black ribbons, and she knew that this must be Jackey's baby sister. How could this mother be so very foolish? For Mrs. Hunt was a widow, who supported herself and her little ones by doing mangle; if she worked all day and the greater part of the night she could not hope to earn more than eight or nine shillings a week. And yet she could afford to indulge in high-class funerals!

And as the girl thought on these things her heart hardened, and she deemed it her duty to give the woman a few words of advice on the subject of her extravagance. But the words would not come. For somehow that inconvenient little lump in her throat would return when she thought of this woman's desire to honour her dead even at the cost of the living. She could almost hear her say, "Has my little boy had so many luxuries that you grudge him a decent burial?" And the girl could not speak.

Now, when she had turned to go, and had even laid her hand on the door, Mrs. Hunt said suddenly, almost harshly, "Perhaps would like to see 'im." And before the girl could reply, the lid of the coffin was drawn back.

What! Was that still little form, that white face, almost terrible in its loveliness—was that the noisy, dirty imp she had seen not many days before? It seemed incredible. She remembered in wonder that she had tried to bring herself to kiss the face that had been almost repulsive in its filth and ugliness; had

tried, and had failed. And now she would kiss the white hand, humbly, reverently, as to something sacred. She would not dare now to touch the face that she had turned from in disgust; it looked so white, so pure, she would have feared to defile it. "Defile!" Yes, that was the word that kept beating itself on the girl's brain as she stood there and looked down—"Undeified, undeified, a little child undeified."

And where were now her sapient remarks as to the desirability of cheap funerals for the poor? Gone, utterly gone. She was indeed stricken dumb, and stood there silently gazing, her eyes wet with tears. And at last, as many before her have done when the feeling of their littleness is home to them, she uttered an incoherent word, the words of another, unconsciously, but true for all time, for all men—"For of such is the kingdom of Heaven."

But some one heard her. There was a sudden sob, a sound as of the breaking of an ice of distrust and despair, and the mother turned away, her shoulders heaving, her face buried in her apron; and a cry rang out, an exceeding bitter cry—"I want 'im! I want 'im! I want 'im!"

And this is how it came to pass that the inquiry officer of a certain society failed in her important duty of advocating thrift and economy among the London poor.—P. M. Gazette.

READY TO DO ALMOST ANYTHING.

SITUATION-SEEKERS AS SELF-DESCRIBED.

In the course of a long business career a gentleman, now retired, has had the curiosity to collect together specimens and notices of applications for situations either peculiarly worded, or which present some other similar distinguishing feature.

"You will see," said their owner, "that there are men, yes! and women, too, who are ready and eager to undertake simply anything. Some of the accomplishments of these people are varied almost beyond belief. Here, for instance, is an example—"

"In reply to your advertisement I beg to say that I desire to occupy a position of trust. Eleven years confidential clerk in present situation; seeking to leave only to better myself. Commercial experience London, Dublin, Edinburgh, and on Continent. Best houses. Fluent French, German, Italian, and Spanish. Good book-keeper, shorthand, and typist. Will sign pledge or abstain from smoking if considered an advantage."

"This was evidently an accommodating as well as an accomplished individual, but I once knew one to beat him. This man answered the advertisement of a big firm for a foreign correspondent, and his letter ended—"

"If there is any question at all as to religion, I am entirely broad-minded and would readily adopt any that pleased you."

"Whilst some applicants approach potential employers timidly and with absolute fear and trembling, others, as it were, smack familiarly on the back the people they are writing to. Said a young man, in answer to 'Clerk Wanted'—"

"I am venturing to reply to your advertisement in the hope that my letter may perchance arrest your attention. I am sorry to say that I have not had more than seven years' business experience, but I think I may honestly claim to be steady, sober, willing, energetic, an early riser, small eater, medium smoker, truthful, careful, vigilant, and respectful. Short-hand and typewriting I do not know, but I shall be pleased to learn them if you so desire."

"A model character this, evidently. He went on to fill up four more pages with 'patient, observant, faithful, etc., and finished with this humble hope—"

"I do sincerely trust, however, that you will pardon me for the great liberty I have taken in replying to your advertisement."

"One is prompted to ask what did he imagine the notice was inserted for if not to be answered?"

"Now for the other style of correspondent, the man who at once puts himself on good terms with the advertiser, or at any rate, decides himself with the idea that he is so doing—"

"Saw your advt. this morning. Offer myself. Four years junior, three years clerk, merchants' offices (3). Wide awake, eye to save employer's time, brain, and purse. Smart, intelligent, understand at a wink. Warrant to effect improvement in any office in a month. Maxims: Anything save time and trouble; Shortest cut good enough for me; study Master's interests first, self last. Shall I come fortnight on trial?"

"A gentleman I know well in business is also a colonel of Volunteer regiment. This was evidently a man who was answering an advertisement for a cashier, for, after mentioning that he was not a civilian soldier, the applicant cheerfully offered to become one if this would ensure his being taken on."

"As is well known, however, it is the foreign clerk who puts forward the most surprising programme of this description. Here is a copy of a letter sent not long since to some leading houses in the drapery trade—"

"Wishing to better myself I beg to offer my services for your office. My qualifications are: Correspondence in English, Italian, French, and Spanish; Book-keeping in single and double entry; balance sheet accounts; current, auditing, invoicing, entering, interest, discount, exchange, decimal system, etc. Shipping; sale and purchase of floating material, steamers' accounts, freight and insurance brokering, 'chartering,' etc. Commercial; 10 years' experience as general and commission merchant, import and export, Continental and other foreign markets, produce brokering. Large connections amongst importers and exporters of green and dry fruit. Foreign weights and currencies, etc. General office work; typewriting, etc. Undeniable testimonials and best references."

"The following advertisement is a good specimen of the 'anything to get on' variety:—"

"German gentleman (27) seeks position of any sort in merchants' offices (English) French, Spanish, and will perfect in Norwegian if desired. Would sleep on premises or board with employer or live out. Long hours no objection. Used to Sunday work. Early riser. Moderate salary for immediate employment."

"Such a man would probably not long remain idle, you would suppose."

"I have mentioned that women in a somewhat similar manner not infrequently exhibit an anxiety to perform almost any work. Well, you next have a reply to a 'Governess Wanted' advertisement—"

"Can undertake English, French, drawing, piano, mandoline, and violin. Would instruct daily in gymnastics. Willing to take children for walks in own time. Some knowledge of hammered brass work and singing. Good tennis player, fair hockey and golf, and I would be pleased to instruct your children in these."

"You may know that at some boarding houses, more particularly where there are no grown-up daughters, and at some good country houses, more or less accomplished young ladies are engaged to entertain the guests, busying

themselves with household work, etc., when not so employed. This is how one of these young women, seeking a situation, describes her endowment—"

"Young lady of engaging manners and appearance would like engagement with lady, boarding-house keeper of middle age, to amuse guests and generally assist in management. Can play piano (vamp) and banjo. Fair voice. Good reader and reciter. Cyclist and good walker. Smart at amateur acting and charades. Can carve; play cards, draughts, dominoes (many games), and billiards (a little). Taste at laying table and good talker. Easy to get on with, and would willingly meet suitable lady over any little points."

"This is the sort of person, it seems to me, who would be of use to a government in difficult and trying negotiations with foreign powers"—Castell's Saturday Journal.

BOB IN LOVE.

My brother Bob is always falling in and out of love, in fact he lives in a chronic state of rapture or despair. Sometimes I find it rather trying to have to accustom myself to his sudden changes of mental atmosphere, but good sisters always accommodate themselves to their brothers' mental atmosphere to prevent storms.

Bob is fair, fat, and fourteen, with a top hat, an Eton suit and a round self-satisfied eye. Yesterday morning he flung himself somehow suddenly into my bedroom.

"Can I come in, Dot?"

"Well, dear boy, judging by your proximity to my dressing-table, which is a long way from the door—"

"Oh, stow it, Dot! I hate your beastly long words, they're such rot. I only thought you might be faking yourself up, like Celia—taking off your back hair, or putting on your complexion, or something of that kind."

"My back hair is permanently fixed on my head," I said with dignity, "and so also is Celia's, and as to our complexions—"

"Bob grinned—"Celia's got a false curl, I saw it sticking up on a hair-pin like a sausage, jolly unnecessary, I should have thought, 'cos she's got a lot of hair of her own, but girls are such blooming idiots."

He rose as he spoke, and, strolling over to my dressing-table, looked fixedly at himself in the glass. There was nothing particularly exciting for him to look at, but he was evidently deeply interested.

"I say, Dot, do you think I'm—at least, I mean—"

"I don't think you're at all good-looking if that's what you mean, Bob."

He glanced at me with contempt.

"Good-looking?" he said scornfully. "Who wants to be good-looking? D'ye think I'm a girl?"

He looked suddenly rather foolish. "What I meant was, if er—yuu didn't know me, Dot, would you—oh! hang it, would you think me a—manly-looking sort of chap?"

"I might if I didn't know you," I replied sweetly. "By the way, Bob, who is it this time? What's her name?"

Bob's eyes became rounder than ever.

"I'll tell you what, Dot," he said, looking at me with open admiration, "you may not be as good-looking as Celia, but you're a jolly sight cuter."

"Thank you, Bob," I said politely—"I will describe her to you shall I? She is tall and fair and has fluffy hair—"

He positively gasped. "How the dickens did you know?"

"Force of contrast, my good boy? The last one was short and dark."

Bob sat down instantly and became communicative.

"I met her in church," he said confidently; "she sits in a pew in front of us, and she's perfectly stunning. I will show her to you if you like."

I gently removed the hat-box containing my best hat, and pushed a footstool towards my brother for him to kick instead.

"That will be very kind indeed of you dear Bob," I said gratefully.

"Right you are," he replied, and went off whistling contentedly.

Not long afterwards, Mamma and I went down to stay at Eastbourne, where Bob is at school. Having a half-holiday, he was strolling along the Parade with me, when he suddenly pinched my arm violently. I bravely subdued a desire to scream, and gave a gasp instead.

"Bob, how dare you?"

"Hush!" he whispered, and I saw that he was not even aware of having pinched me. "Hush, Dot, there she is—quick—look— isn't she a stunner? Don't stare so!" he added fiercely.

I glanced at a tall, rather plain-looking young woman with rosy cheeks and a very small sailor hat who was coming jauntily towards us.

She is quite stunning," I replied emphatically, inwardly wondering why one's young brothers invariably exhibit such strange tastes in womenfolk, considering what nice women they often marry later on.

The beauty passed us, throwing as she did to a slight smile in Bob's direction. He flushed all over his face. "I wish you and the Mater would get to know her and ask her to come and stay with us, Dot; I am sure the Mater would like her," he said eagerly.

"I am sure she would," I replied pleasantly, "only mightn't it be a little dangerous with Tom at home?"

Bob sniffed. "I don't suppose she'd be bothered with a chap like Tom," he said with brotherly contempt. "He's too beastly conceited. I think I am more in her line—eh, Dot?"

"Much more," I replied gently; "besides you're so beastly modest."

"I say, Dot," said Bob; "come on, she's turned to the left, if we go down 'the High-street then we shall meet her coming back—come on." And we turned down the High-street.

The next day, strangely enough, I was introduced to Robert's divinity. I found her very pleasant and greatly amused by his attachment to her.

"What a dear, funny boy that brother of yours is!" she said, laughing. "I do wish, though, he would not waste his money on buying me satin boxes of chocolates and putting them in my paw, because—this is a dead secret, of course, Miss Anstruther, for I would not hurt his feelings for the world—but I can't bear chocolate."

"His name is Captain Farham—er—Tony," she added shyly; "and he's in the Navy, and we're to be married in a month, because he is going abroad again. Do say you're glad, Miss Anstruther. I'm so happy."

"I wish you every happiness, and I am very, very glad," I said with a heartiness born of the knowledge that she would never become my sister-in-law. Presently she sprang excited to her feet. "There he is—on the Parade—he— I promised to be there—but he is early." And she went off to meet her lover.

Mamma and I went home the next day, and a few days later I received the following from Bob, heavily smudged, and evidently written by one in pain.

Strictly private.

Dear Dot—A awful thing has happened. I met 'her' last night at the Simpsons. She spent nearly the whole evening talking to that beastly little whipper-snapper Farham, and I tried to interrupt him two or three times, but could not get a look in without being downright rude, which, of course, wouldn't have done. [excepting to a "sister's" admirer, eh, dear Bob?]

The little beast is, I believe, coming into a lot of money. Of course, she wouldn't care in the least for this, and he might have talked her over, he is such a fearful gasser. No chap with any decent modesty gets a look in with girls nowadays.

I'm awfully unhappy, and don't care about the Eleven now, or whether my grub-box comes or not.

I could not help feeling deeply for my brother, as this seemed far more virulent than any of his usual attacks, and I wrote him a very sympathetic and touching letter. In fact, I worried a good deal about the poor dear boy, and only recovered my spirits on the receipt of the following epistle, which I received about a fortnight later:

Dear Dot—Please thank the Mater for the grub-box. It was jolly nice of her to remember all the things; but the cake might have been a bit richer. Can't you give a private hint to Mrs. Clarence to put a bit more grease and a few more plums in next time? And tell the Mater if she could spare a bottle of cherry brandy it would be jolly useful. Thanks for remembering cigarettes and ginger-breads.

We shall be home on the 11th.

P.S.—I have something stunning to tell you, so you might come by yourself and meet me in the cart alone.—Your affectionate brother, BOB.

Bob came home to-day. "She" is short and dark, and he tells me she smiled twice at him in church last Sunday; he is consequently in a temporary state of absolute beatitude.—R. Neish, in the Rangoon Times.

REALLY NEW DANCES.

HOW THOSE WHO "TERP" WILL TRIP IT LIGHTLY THIS WINTER.

Already widely dancing assemblies are being held in the majority of the town halls and public buildings in London and the provinces, and it becomes possible to obtain some idea of the dances upon which Terpsichore has set the finger of approval.

I interviewed the subject, Mr. G. E. Hughes, president of the Association of Teachers of Dancing, said that the Association had already awarded prizes for the winter dances.

Mme. Theaker, a popular teacher of dancing in Sheffield, carried off the first prize for square dances for her "Britannia la Tribune," and this promises to be a real success.

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Hongkong, 27th April, 1900. [134]

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(January 12th).

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Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	\$125	35 1/2 premium
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited	£ 5	Nominal
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Preference)	£ 4	1/4
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Ordinary)	£ 4	1/4
The Bank of China & Japan, Limited (Deferred)	£ 1	1/4 5/8 buyers
National Bank of China, Ltd.	£ 8	27 buyers
Do. Founders.	£ 1	20
Marine Insurances.		
Union Ins. Society of Canton, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$24 1/2 buyers
China Traders' Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$31 buyers
North China Ins. Co., Ltd.	£ 25	Tls. 17 1/2 sellers
Yangtze Ins. Assoc. Co., Ltd.	\$ 60	\$110 sales
Canton Ins. Office, Ltd.	\$ 50	\$145 buyers
Straits Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$1
Fire Insurances.		
Hongkong Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$110 sales
China Fire Ins. Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$86 sales
Shipping.		
Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Co., Limited	\$ 15	\$33 1/2 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	£ 10	\$101 sellers
China & Manilla S.S. Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$74 sellers
Do. Founders	\$ 20	\$33 sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$47 sellers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Pref.)	£ 10	£12 buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Ordinary)	£ 10	£12 buyers
China Mutual S. N. Co., Ltd. (Deferred)	£ 10	£12 buyers
Star Ferry Co., Ltd.	\$ 2 1/2	\$54 sales and
"Shell" Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	£ 1	£3.40
Refineries.		
China Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$117
Luzon Sugar Refining Co., Ltd.	\$ 100	\$40 buyers
Mining.		
Punjom Mining Co., Ltd.	\$ 8	\$4 1/2 sellers
Punjom Mining Preference Shares	\$ 1	\$1 sales and
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	Fcs. 250	\$350 sellers
Queen Mines, Ltd.	25 cts.	5 cents
Leitch Mining and Leitching Co., Ltd.	\$ 5	\$6.30 sales
Raub Altian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	17s. 10d.	\$47 sellers
Oliver Freehold Mines, Ltd.	\$ 5	\$2
Oliver Freehold Mines, Ltd.	\$ 5	\$14
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Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	\$125	\$87 1/2 % sales & [sellers]
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$92 sales
Wanchai Warehouse & Storage Co., Ltd.	\$ 37 1/2	\$64
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$24 1/2 sales and Buildings.
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	10	\$10 sales
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$204 sellers
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 30	\$8 buyers
West Point Building Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$50 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$123 sellers
Oriental Hotel Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$82 1/2
Humphreys' Estate & Finance Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$11 1/2 sellers
Cotton Mills.		
Hongkong Cotton Spinning & Dyeing Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$15 sales
Ewo Cotton Spinning & W. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 55
International Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 50
Laou-kung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 70 buyers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 500	Tls. 325
Yahloong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	Tls. 100	Tls. 50
Cigar Companies.		
Alhambra, Limited	\$500	200 premium
La Comercial, Ltd.	\$500	100 premium
Hensiana, Limited	\$500	5 pm. sales
La Favorita	\$500	20 premium
Miscellaneous.		
Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$194 sales
China-Borneo Co., Ltd.	\$ 15	\$33
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$15 1/2 sellers
Watkins, Limited	\$ 10	\$12 1/2
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	\$ 10	\$124 sales
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H'kong Ice Co., Ltd.	\$ 25	\$176 sellers
H'kong High Level Tramways Co., Ltd.	\$100	\$196 sales
Dairy Farm Co., Ltd.	\$ 6 1/2	\$5 buyers
Hongkong and China Bakery Co., Ltd.	\$ 50	\$50 buyers
Campbell Moore and Co., Ltd.	\$ 10	\$30
Bells Asbestos Estimating Agency, Ltd.	£ 1	\$14 1/2 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Ltd.	\$ 4	\$8
Carmichael & Co., Ltd.	\$ 20	\$8
Tobacco Planting Co., Ltd.	\$ 3	\$3
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Hongkong, January 12th.
ON LONDON, Telegraphic Transfer, 2/04
Bank Bills, on demand 2/0 13/18
Credits, 4 months' sight, 2/11
D'ements, 4 months' sight, 2/11
ON PARIS, Bank Bills, on demand, 2/50
Credits, 4 months' sight, 2/05
ON NEW YORK, Bank Bills, on demand, 504
Credits, 30 days' sight, 501
ON BOMBAY, Telegraphic Transfer, 1534
On demand, 1534
ON SHANGHAI, Telegraphic Transfer, 721
Private 30 days' sight, 721
ON YOKOHAMA, T.T. 2/12
Sovereigns, Bank's Buying Rate, 9/54
Gold Leaf 100 touch, per tael, 49/70
Bar Silver, 49/70
Dollars, 4 per cent. prem.

OPIUM QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong, January 12th.
New Patna, 3885 per chest.
New Bares, 805
New Malwa, 810 per picul
Old Malwa, 820/850
Persian, paper tied, 820/850

VESSELS IN PORT.

Steamers.
BENLAWERS, British str., 1,483, A. Webster,
10th Jan.—Shanghai 7th Jan., General.
Gibb, Livingston & Co.
BISAGO, Italian steamer, 1,510, D. Maganzino,
8th Jan.—Bombay 17th Dec., and Singa-
pore 1st Jan., General.—Carlowitz & Co.
CHWINSKY, British steamer, 1,281, J. F.
Messer, 8th Jan.—Bangkok 31st Jan., Rice.
—Bradley & Co.
DIAMANTE, British steamer, 1,255, A. Rahmsay,
10th Jan.—Manila 7th Jan., General.
—Showman, Tomes & Co.
EMPRESS OF CHINA, British steamer, 3,003, R.
"Archibald, R.N.R., 27th Dec.—Vancouver,
(B.C.) 5th Dec., and Shanghai 24th, Malis,
and General.—C. P. R. Co.
ETRURIA, British steamer, 1,040, M. Crockett,
7th Jan.—Hongkong 5th Jan., Coal.—Jar-
dine, Matheson & Co.
FLINTSHIRE, British steamer, 2,109, J. Dwyer,
4th Jan.—Moj 30th Dec., Coal.—Mitsui
Bussan Kaisha.
GARONARE, American transport, 2,310, Far-
lane, and Jan.—Manila 20th Dec., Ballast.
—Government.
GOODWIN, British steamer, 2,832, A. Jackson,
26th Dec.—Moj 22nd Dec., Coal.—Dod-
well & Co., Ltd.

HAICHING, British steamer, 1,267, T. P. Hall,
7th Jan.—Haiphong and Pakhoi 5th Jan.,
General.—Douglas, Lapraik & Co.
HINSANG, British steamer, 1,536, P. M. B.
Lake, 28th Dec.—Java 18th Dec., Sugar.
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
HOLSTEIN, German steamer, 985, M. Ipland,
3rd Jan.—Manila 31st Dec., General.
—Jessen & Co.
HONG WAN I, British steamer, 2,200, A. Frigg,
10th Jan.—Singapore 5th Jan., General.
—Joo Teck Seng.
JAPAN, British steamer, 2,795, G. K. Wright,
R.N.R., 10th Jan.—Yokohama 24th Dec.,
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
KALONG, British steamer, 1,024, G. W. Penne-
father, 7th Jan.—Hio 3rd Jan., Sugar
and Hemp.—Butterfield & Swire.
KUMSANG, British steamer, 2,078, E. J. Buller,
7th Jan.—Singapore 1st Jan., General.
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LOVAL, German steamer, 1,237, Lorenzen, 4th
January.—Saigon 1st Jan., Rice.—Sander,
Wieler & Co.
MAUSANG, British steamer, 1,643, R. Cox, 4th
Jan.—Sandakan 29th Dec., Timber.
—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
MICHAEL JENSEN, German steamer, 710, J.
Jessen, 28th Dec.—Haiphong 25th Dec.,
and Hiohwa 27th, Rice.—Jessen & Co.
MONSEATON, British steamer, 1,776, Davis,
31st Dec.—Moj 23th Dec., Coals.—Order.
NIPPON MARU, Japanese steamer, 3,300, W.
G. Green, 3rd Jan.—San Francisco 6th
Dec., and Shanghai 1st Dec., Mails and
General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
NORMANIA, Danish steamer, 1,717, Edw.
Erikson, 6th Jan.—Mororan (Japan) 27th
Dec., Coal.—Melchers & Co.
PEIVANG, German steamer, 897, Köhler, 28th
Dec.—Moj 22nd Dec., Coals.—Sjenssen
& Co.
PENART, British transport, 1,959, W. H. West,
7th Jan.—Woolung and Amoy 6th Jan.,
Ballast.—British Government.
PHRA CHOM KLAD, British steamer, 1,011, J.
Fowler, 28th Dec.—Bangkok 19th Dec.,
Rice, &c.—Butterfield & Swire.
PICCIOLA, German steamer, 875, E. Huir,
18th Dec.—Chesoo 13th Dec., General.
—Meyer & Co.
SAMOA, British steamer, 4,506, Hudson, 28th
Dec.—Moj 23rd Dec., Coal.—Dodwell & Co.,
Ltd.
SHANTUNG, German steamer, 1,315, Remel-
mendi, 22nd Dec.—Chesoo 16th Dec.,
General.—Sander, Wieler & Co.
SKARSPON, Norwegian steamer, 1,130, L. Tal-
leson, 4th Jan.—Nagasaki 30th Dec.,
Flour.—T. M. Stevens.
STRATHGIR, British steamer, 2,399, Farisyth,
22nd Jan.—Kutchinotzu 27th Dec., Coal.
—Mitsui Bussan Kaisha.
TAI FU, German steamer, 1,065, E. Schipper,
30th Dec.—Moj 24th Dec., Coal.—E. A.
Trading Co.
TAMUSI MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,038, K.
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